METAL / NONMETAL Serious Injury

Underground Marble Mine – May 2015 – A miner was cutting a large slab of marble with a wire saw. The victim was located on a ladder repositioning a cooling water hose when the production slab split prematurely. Inadequate blocking or cribbing allowed the slab to topple toward him, pinning the victim between two slabs of marble. The victim was transported to a local hospital with crushing injuries to his legs.



Best Practices

- Establish and discuss safe work procedures.
- Examine work areas and identify and control all hazards before starting any work.
- Ensure material is properly blocked to prevent unexpected movement. assure energy cannot be released while the task is performed.
- Do not place yourself in a position that will expose you to hazards while performing a task.
- Monitor personnel routinely to determine that safe work procedures are followed.

